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DATE: SEPTEMBER 9, 2008

TO: BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FROM: L. HAROLD BLATTIE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

RE: NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING
RESOLUTIONS
PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENTS
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Notice is hereby given that the 99th Annual Conference of the Montana Association of Counties will be held at the First Interstate Pavilion Event Center, 100 Old Corvallis Road, in Hamilton, Montana. The opening General Session will convene at 8:30 AM on Monday, September 22, 2008 and will reconvene on Tuesday, September 23 at 10:30 a.m. for the purposes of Committee reports, and at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, September 24, 2008 for purposes of election of officers, member voting on proposed resolutions, member voting on proposed bylaw amendments, and other business that may properly come before the membership.

The MACo By-laws were amended to provide for proxy voting. A member must be in attendance to be considered "registered" in order to assign their proxy in the event they must leave the conference prior to the meeting being adjourned.

A member county's registered voting delegate may vote by proxy at any meeting of the membership. The proxy must be in writing and signed by the voting delegate or alternate and shall name the person to whom the proxy is delegated and the subject for the vote(s). The proxy must be delivered to the President prior to voting action being taken.

If you have any questions, please call the MACo office at 444-4360 or contact Harold at blattie@maco.cog.mt.us or Sheryl at swood@maco.cog.mt.us

2008 PROPOSED BYLAW AMENDMENTS

AMENDMENT #1

ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. MEMBERS

- a) The Board shall consist of the four elected officers, the Past President, the Class 1A Representative and the elected chairperson from each of the twelve regional districts specified in Article VIII.
- b) In addition to the members identified in Subsection (a), other county elected official associations with no fewer than 29 county members may each designate a member to serve as a non-voting representative members on the Board.

This amendment would allow county elected official association representatives to be voting members on the MACo Board of Directors.

AMENDMENT #2

ARTICLE IV -BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 3. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- k) function as the nominating committee and select at least two candidates each for the office of Second Vice President and Fiscal Officer. No candidate can be nominated and run for two offices simultaneously. Nominations may be made at district meetings of county commissioners and submitted to the Board;

This amendment would eliminate the requirement that there be a minimum of two candidates nominated for the offices of Second Vice President and Fiscal Officer.

AMENDMENT #3

ARTICLE VI-STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 2. TAX, BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Tax, Budget and Finance Committee shall consist of at least five members. Members shall be appointed by the President subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

This amendment would incorporate the work the Committee does in reviewing and recommending legislative tax policy issues.

AMENDMENT #4

ARTICLE IX - ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND PROCEDURES

Section 7. EFFECTIVE DATE

These by-laws having been duly amended by a majority vote of the members cast at the 97th 99th Annual Conference, held in Bozeman, MT on September 28, 2006. Hamilton, MT on , 2008. These by-laws will be effective upon the adjourning of the annual conference with all provisions for compliance in regard to the elected officers of the Association having been provided for by action on the floor of the Association.

The below proposed amendment would incorporate the most recent amendments to the bylaws.